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SUBJECT: Operational Report - Lessons Learned, Headquarters, 1st
Battalion, 92d Artillery, Period Ending 31 October 1970 (U)

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5 November 1970

SUBJECT: Operational Report-Lessons Learned, 1st Battalion, 92d Artillery, Period Ending 31 October 1970, RCS CSFOR-65 (R2) (U)

Commanding Officer 52d Artillery Group APO San Francisco 96318

- 1. (C) Operations: Significant Activities.
- a. General: The 1st Battalion, 92d Artillery is comprised of a Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, Service Battery, and three 155mm (M114A1) towed howitzer batteries (Incl 1).
 - b. Intelligence:
- (1) Intelligence is disseminated through a daily intelligence summary, Information for the summary is obtained from S2, 52d Artillery Group; Company B, 5th Special Forces Group; G2, Military Region II; and S2, Pleiku Sector. Intelligence is also gathered from the battalion forward observer teams.
- (2) This battalion has one aerial observer who is under the control of the 52d Artillery Group.
- (3) The Lattalion placed FO teams in the field to fill 8 requests during the reporting period:
 - (a) 18 Aug 20 Aug two teams with 4/47 ARVN Regt (Weigt Davis).
 - (b) 24 Aug 29 Aug one team with 1/47 ARVN Regt (Weigt Davis).
 - (c) 29 Aug 4 Sep one team with 4th MSF (Plei-Mrong).
 - (d) 6 Sep 12 Sep one team with 3/47 ARVN Rest (Oasis).
 - (e) 7 Sep 12 Sep one team with 11th ARVN Ranger Bn (Plei Mrong).

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- (f) 16 Sep 21 Sep two teams with 23d ARVN Ranger BN (Plei Mrong).
- (g) 23 Sep 26 Sep one team with 3/47 ARVN Regt (Oaxis).
- (h) 25 Sep 29 Sep one team with 23d ARVN Ranger BN (Plei Mrong).
- (4) Radar: A PPS-5 ground surveillance radar is employed at Plai Mrong to assist the battalion in target acquisition. The radar detachment from the 8/26th TAB is OPCON to 1st Battalion, 92d Artillery.
- (5) Radar: An MPQ-4 countermortar radar is employed at IZ Weigt Davis to assist in target acquisition, to provide surveillance for counter battery fire, and to register the 155mm howitzer platoon at that location. The 254th Radar Detachment is OPCON to the 1st Battalion, 92d Artillery.
- (6) The battalion mans and maintains 16 bunkers for perimeter defense of Artillery Hill.
 - c. Operations and Training:
- (1) Plans: The 1st Battalion, 92d Artillery has continued to operate in Pleiku Province as its assigned Area of Operations, with the mission of General Support of US, RVNAF, and Free World Military Assistance Forces. In addition, B Btry has been deployed during the reporting period at Ben Het and Firebase 6 in Kontum Province with the mission of Reinforcing the 6th Battalion, 14th Artillery.
 - (2) Operations:
- (a) On 1 August 1970 the three organic 155mm (M114A1) towed howitzer batteries of the battalion were deployed as follows:
- (i) Battery A (-) at Plei Mrong (ZA 111677) with the mission General Support. A (plt) was located at IZ Tape (BS 743130) with the mission of General Support Reinforcing to the 6/29 Artillery.
- (2) Battery B was located at FSB 6 (YB 934187) and B (plt) located at FSB 12, Ben Het (YB 869356). They made no moves during the period 1 August 1970 to 31 October 1970. They remained in place with the mission of Reinforcing the 6th Battalion, 14th Artillery.

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- (3) Battery C (-) was located at Artillery Hill (ZA 228536) with the mission of General Support of the Pleiku City Defence. C (plt) was located at LZ Weigt Davis (AR 900117) with the mission of Direct Support, 20th Engineer Battalion.
 - (b) Significant Activities:
 - (1) The battalion tactically controlled the following units:
 - (a) A (-) 1/92 Arty at IZ Sarah II, Plei Mrong (ZA 111677).
 - (b) C (plt) 1/92 Arty at IZ Weigt Davis (AR 899116).
 - (c) C (-) 1/92 Arty at FSB Kelly, Arty Hill (ZA 228536).
 - (d) A 6/14 Arty at IZ Oasis (ZA 113278).
 - (e) A 7/15 Arty at IZ Blackhawk (BR 035536).
- (2) 1 August 1970 A (plt) was air lifted out of LZ Tape to LZ Powder (BS 635178) in order to support operations of the 2/35 Infantry. They performed the mission of General Support Reinforcing 6/29 Arty.
- (3) 24 August 1970 A (plt) was airlifted out of IZ Powder to IZ Two Bits II (BR 847945) to continue their mission of General Support Reinforcing 6/29 Arty.
- (4) 25 August 1970 A (plt) convoyed from IZ Two Bits to Camp Radcliff (BR 465467) where it was released from GSR 6/29th Arty.
- (5) 26 August 1970 A (plt) departed by convoy from Camp Radcliff enroute to FSB Kelly, Arty Hill (ZA 228536).
- (6) 30 August 1970 A (plt) left FSB Kelly for FSB Sarah II, Plei Mrong (ZA 111677). Another platoon of A Btry located at FSB Sarah II was then moved by road to FSB Kelly enroute to IZ Weigt Davis. This left A (-) at Plei Mrong with the mission of General Support.
- (7) 7 September 1970 A (plt) departed FSB Kelly by convoy enroute to IZ Weigt Davis (AR 849116) to assume the mission of Direct Support, 20th Engineer Battalion which is upgrading and rebuilding QL14. C (plt) departed IZ Weigt Davis the same day by convoy for FSB Kelly giving Arty Hill a complete 155mm battery in General Support of Pleiku City Defense.

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- (C) Significant Firing:
- (1) 1 Aug C (-) fired 16 HE in support of ARVN in contact, 2A 1556.
- (2) 2 Aug C (-) fired 3 SMK for ARVN in contact, ZA 1254.
- (3) 4 Aug A (-) fired 2 WP and 5 HE in support of village in contact, ZA 1571.
- (4) 30 July to 5 Aug A (plt) at IZ Powder fired 25 missions including 6 contacts.
 - (5) 5 Aug to 8 Aug A (plt) fired in support of three contact missions.
 - (6) 8 Aug A (plt) fired 9 HE for ARVN in contact, BS 7226.
- (7) 9 Aug B (-) fired 36 HE and 4 FC in TOT mission at VC in the open, YB 9926.
- (8) 10 Aug A (-) fired 28 HE at VC in the open, ZA 1571. Results: 2/B-40 rockets and 6 satchel charges captured.
 - (9) 11 Aug A (-) fired in support of 447th RF Company in contact.
- (10) 12 Aug C (plt) fired 20 HE, VC in the open, AR 8315; and 15 HE in support of RF in contact, AR 8918.
- (11) 13 Aug B (-) fired 25 ILL in support of an element of the 42d ARVN Regiment in contact, ZB 0622.
- (12) 14 Aug C (plt) fired 15 WP and 2 HE at SEL. Results: 2 Secondary explosions.
- (13) 14 Aug C (plt) fired 14 HE and 15 ILL in support of 630th and 908th Companies in contact, AR 8812.
- (14) 14 Aug B (-) fired 6 HE at a DT in support of ARVN in contact, YB 9712.
- (15) 15 Aug C (plt) fired 3 HE and 9 III in support of 958th RF Co. AR 8812; and 5 HE in support of a SF unit in contact, AR 8814.

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- (16) 16 Aug C (-) fired 12 HE in a TOT mission at a platoon size enemy element, AR 8460.
 - (17) 16 Aug C (plt) fired 2 HE and 1 Ill for ARVN in contact, AR 8515.
 - (18) 17 Aug C (plt) fired 15 HE for ARVN in contact, AR 8319.
- (19) 17 Aug C (plt) fired 16 HE and 6 WP for ARVN in contact, AR 8620. Results: Captured 82mm mortar base plate.
 - (20) 18 Aug C (plt) fired 11 HE for troops in contact, AR 8712.
- (21) 22 Aug C (plt) fired 13 HE and 3 FC at enemy in the open, AR 8216.
- (22) 24 Aug A (-) fired 5 HC and 28 HE in support of VNSF in contact, ZA 1460.
 - (23) 25 Aug C (plt) fired 5 FC, 3 WP and 12 HE at a sniper location.
- (24) 26 Aug B (plt) fired 4 HC and 11 HE at a confirmed enemy location, a platoon size VC element, YB 8228.
- (25) 27 Aug Λ (-) fired 18 HE at VC in the open, ZA 0668. Results: 1 VC KTA, $1/\Lambda$ K 47 magazine, and 1 grenade captured in action.
- (26) 27 Aug C (-) fired 6 HE at VC squad; ZA 1488. Results: 1/VC CIA and 1/AK 47 CIA.
 - (27) 28 Aug C (-) fired 11 HE for troops in contact, ZA 1458.
- (28) 30 Aug A (-) fired 2 SMK and 69 HE on 6 grids, at 25 VC in the open, support of 242d Co, ZA 0666.
 - (29) 30 Aug C (-) fired 6 HE at 2-3 VC digging foxholes; ZA 1951.
 - (30) 1 Sept B (plt) fired 1 HC and 12 HE at VC in the open, YB 9313.
 - (31) 1 Sept C (-) fired 22 IIL for a village in contact, ZA 1556.
 - (32) 2 Sept C (plt) fired 21 ILL for a village in contact, AR 8714.

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- (33) 3 Sept C (plt) fired 5 ILL for a village in contact, AR 8714.
- (34) 4 Sept C (plt) fired 19 Ill for a village in contact, AR 8714.
- (35) 5 Sept C (plt) fired 1 HC and 3 HE for a jeep recoiving small arms fire, AR 8514.
- (36) 7 Sept A (plt) fired 1 III and 12 HE in support of a village in contact, AR 8714.
- (37) 8 Sept A (plt) fired 19 ILL and 24 HE in support of a village in contact, AR 8606.
- (38) 8 Sept B (-) fired 20 HE and 5 WP on a confirmed rocket location. Rockets fired at Dak To Airfield.
- (39) 9 Sept A (-) fired 10 ILL in support of 3rd ARVN Cav in contact, ZA 2072.
- (40) 10 Sept A (plt) fired 1 HC and 9 HE for Troops in contact, AR 8517. Results: 1/VC WIA, 1/B-40 CIA.
 - (41) 11 Sept A (plt) fired 50 ILL for a village in contact, AR 8714.
 - (42) 13 Sept A (-) fired 6 HE for a village in contact, ZA 2167.
- (43) 13 Sept A (plt) fired 3 HC and 6 HE for a village in contact. AR 8618.
- (44) 16 Sept A (-) fired 3 SMK and 32 HE for 63d Ranger Bn in contact, ZA 0661.
- (45) 16 Sept A (-) fired 12 HE for headhunters at an estimated VC Battallon.
- (46) 17 Sept A (plt) fired 8 ILL and 3 HE in support of a village in contact, AR 8219.
- (47) 19 Sept A (plt) fired 4 ILL in support of troops in contact, AR 8218.
- (48) 20 Sept A (plt) fired 3 ILL in support of troops in contact, AR 8316.

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- (49) 21 Sept A (plt) fired 1 HC and 1 HE at VC in the open. AR 8817.
- (50) 23 Sept A (-) fired 3 ILL in support of troops in contact, ZA 1773.
- (51) 24 Sept A (-) fired 3 SMK and 49 HE in support of ARVN Rangers in contact. Results: enemy 1 KBA and 2 CIA.
- $(\underline{52})$ 25 Sept C fired 21 Ill in support of 2d Rangers in contact. AR $79\overline{53}$.
- (53) 26 Sept A (plt) fired 4 ILL and 4 HE in support of troops in contact, AR 8313.
 - (54) 26 Sept C fired 3 ILL in support of a village in contact, ZA 1656.
 - (55) 28 Sept A (-) fired 1 HC and 13 HE at VC in the open. ZA 1171.
- (56) 30 Sept A (-) fired 1 WP, 11 ILL and 21 HE in support of a village in contact, ZA 1472.
- (57) 1 Oct A (-) fired 2 WP, 54 ILL, and 13 HE in support of 63d Rangers in contact, ZA 0863. Results: Enemy 2 KIA, 2 KBA, and 1 carbine CIA.
- (58) 1 Oct A (-) fired 1 HC and 13 HE at VC in bunkers, ZA 1471. Results: 1 VC KIA, 1 VC CIA and documents CIA.
- (59) 3 Oct A (-) fixed 19 ILL in support of 63d Rangers, ZA 1258. Results: 9 NVA KIA, 3 AK47 and 1 M16 CIA.
- (60) 3 Oct A (-) fired 2 WP, 13 HE and 10 IIL in support of 63d Rangers in contact, ZA 1571.
 - (61) 6 Oct A (plt) fired 10 ILL and 3 HE in support of troops in contact.
- (62) 8 Oct A (-) fired 8 HE and 8 ILL in support of troops in contact, ZA 1771. Results: Enemy 2 KIA.
- (63) 11 Oct A (plt) fired 1 SMK and 22 HE at VC troops in the open, BR 0815.
- (64) 17 Oct A (-) fired 4 HC and 29 HE in support of RF's in contact, ZA 1272.

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- (65) 28 Oct A (-) fired 24 HE on acquired location of 3 VC Battalions, ZA 2170.
- (66) 30 Oct A (plt) fired 28 ILL and 19 HE in countermortar fire following incoming mortars.
 - (3) Training:
- (a) Six officers and seven enlisted men attended IFFV Arty Fire Direction Course. Six officers and nine enlisted men attended the IFFV Arty FO School.
- (b) The battalion continued to provide instructors and materials for the Vietnam orientation training of all newly assigned personnel in 52d Artillery Group.
- (c) The following mandatory refresher training was programmed and conducted in accordance with applicable training directives:
 - (1) Weapons Firing and Safety
 - (2) Command Information
 - (3) Character Guidance
 - (4) Physical Training
 - (5) Communications Security/Operational Security
 - (6) First Aid and Emergency Treatment
 - (7) M-60 Machine Gun
 - (8) Trip Flares Use and Employment
 - (9) Weapons Zero
 - (10) Claymore Mines
 - (11) Defense Against Subversion and Espionage
 - (12) Civil Affairs
 - (13) Maintenance of Equipment
 - (14) Physical Security Training

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- (15) Suppression of Drugs and Marijuana.
- (16) CBR Refresher Training
- (17) Why Vietnam
- d. Civil Affairs/Pacification
- (1) Significant activities of the Civic Action Program were:
- (a) During the month of September, 150 pounds of food was distributed to widows and orphans of casualties who were members of the 37th ARVN Artillery Battalion.
- (b) A continuous MEDCAP Program was operated at Plei Mrong, in which indigenous personnel at that location made use of the A (-) 1/92d Aid Station. During the month of August, 35 patients were treated, 141 patients were treated in September, and 71 in October.
- (c) The Battalion Aid Station at Artillery Hill treated 92 indigenous personnel during the reporting period.
- (d) During the reporting period the Battalion Surgeon made weekly MEDCAP visits to the Montagnard Military Academy in Pleiku City. He treated an average of 200 personnel each month.
- (e) The Aid Station at Plei Mrong requested six medevacs during the period for indigenous personnel who were injured or sick.
 - (2) Significant activities of the Artillery Assistance Program were:
- (a) On 13 August, A (-) 1/92 conducted service practice for the VNSF at the Plei Mrong CIDG Camp. The service practice was conducted using the platoon of 105mm Howitzers of the CIDG at the Camp. FDC and firing battery personnel observed the exercise and made corrections where necessary. Prior to the service practice, a class on boresighting was given to the CIDG Personnel.
- (b) 18 August, Captain Guidry, CO, A 1/92, inspected the ammunition storage of the CIDG Artillery at Plei Mrong. He reported that the CIDG personnel had been following previous instructions and had made substantial improvements. Two hundred square feet of plastic was given to the CIDG 105mm Howitzer Platoon to help keep their powder storage area dry.

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- (c) During the week of 2 9 October the following types and quantities of 105 MM ammunition were procurred and delivered to the 63d ARVN Ranger Battalion at Plei Mrong: 100 rounds of HE, 20 rounds ILL, 20 rounds SMK, and 10 rounds WP. In addition, an Artillery Assistance Team gave classes on fire direction and firing battery procedures. They also conducted a service practice for the ARVN Rangers to illustrate the effectiveness and proficiency of the personnel. Firing battery safety was stressed, and recommendations were made to have a sectioned firing platform made. The platoon built the platform the following day.
- (d) The Battalion Survey Section is currently training three ARVN officers from the 222d ARVN Artillery Battalion. They will be instructed in the procedures, techniques, and computations necessary to perform a valid survey. When the officers return to their unit they will be qualified survey officers.
 - (e) Personnel:
- (1) The battalion strength at the end of the reporting period was 106.5% of the total authorized. Officer strength was 94.3% of the authorized strength. The battalion was short four lieutenants and two warrant officers.
 - (2) Key personnel changes during the reporting period:
- (a) MAJ Claude H. Warren assumed the duties of Battalion Executive Officer on 30 August 1970 from MAJ Jose A. Riovo Jr who was reassigned as S-4 52d Arty Group.
- (b) CPT Thomas J. Fonck assumed duties of S-2 on 20 September 1970. 1LT Ames, previous S-2, departed on 17 August 1970 for ETS, Oakland California.
- (c) CPT Clinton J. Black assumed the duties of Communications Officer on 16 October 1970.
- (d) CPT Clyde L. Jonas assumed the duties of Motor Officer on 6 October 1970.
- (e) CPT James V. Ritsch assumed command of HHB on 20 September 1970 from CPT Gerald Krause who departed for Germany.
- (f) CPT James Harris Jr assumed command of SVC Battery on 23 September 1970 from CPT George Overton who departed for an assignment in Germany.
- (g) 1LT Daniel S Konzen was assigned as Ammunition Officer on 10 October 1970.
- (h) 1LT DeWitte T. Thompson was reassigned as Unit Property Book Officer on September 1970 from A Battery.

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- 2. (C) Lessons Learned: Commander's Observations, Evaluations, and Recommendations:
 - a. Personnel: None
 - . b. Intalligence: None
 - c. Operations:
 - (1) Use of Dead-Men (Logs or Timbers)
- (a) Observation: While on an operation in support of the 4th Infantry Division, a platoon of 155mm towed howitzers was airlifted to IZ Powder in Binh Dinh Province. The positions prepared for these howitzers were cut into the side of the hill, resulting in one half of the howitzer position being on solid ground while the other half was on semi-hard fill. One evening while firing near maximum range with maximum charge, this semi-hard fill, loosened by daily rains, failed to hold the trails, thus causing rearward movement of the howitzers while being fired.
- (b) Evaluation: A field expedient means of installing dead-men needs to be employed when a lack of proper material exists. The best type of dead-men require heavy timbers embedded in the ground to hold the trails in place.
- (c) Recommendation: When howitzers are emplaced on filled ground, dead-men (logs or timbers) must be installed as soon as time permits throughout the 6400 mil capability of the weapon. When timbers are not available, powder canisters can be buried upright in the ground, side-by-side and filled with dirt. These canisters must be dug in deep enough to insure that at least one half of each canister is embedded in solid ground. When this is done and the spades are dug in prior to firing, the canister dead-men will hold the weapon in place. As soon as possible, heavy timbers should be placed in front of the canisters. With the canisters and timbers in position, uninterrupted firing can be accomplished.

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- (2) Use of Tracers.
- (a) Observation: It has been observed that on numerous occasions individuals fire all their ammunition from magazines without knowing that they have done so.
- (b) Evaluation: This situation may arise during contact, with the individual attempting to engage another target with an empty weapon.
- (c) Recommendation: In order to prevent this situation, the first two rounds of ammunition which are loaded into the rifle magazine should be tracers. In the firing sequence the two tracers would be fired last. When the individual observes the tracers, he knows immediately to reload. In this way the soldier will not engage a target with an empty or nearly empty rifle.
 - d. Organization: None
 - e. Training: None
 - f. Logistics: None
 - g. Communications:
 - (1) Internal Corrosion Prevention on Telephone, TA 312/PT
- (a) Observation: TA 312/PT developed moisture internally, resulting in corrosion of wiring and connectors. Equipment reliability suffered as a result. Dessicant bags were placed inside the case near the hand generator and the case resealed. The telephone under test was then used as a back-up to an unmodified telephone. The two were compared as to reliability and evidence of corrosion over a period of several months. The dessicant was changed on a monthly basis.
- (b) Evaluation: The TA 312/PT reliability of the modified set showed a definite improvement with little or no detectable corrosion on the internal components over an extended period of several months. During the same period the unmodified set in similar conditions suffered from considerable corrosion that inhibited performance and required cleaning several times. The dessicant used was of a type readily available to artillery units. It came from discarded freezer containers. However, some small difficulty with deterioration of paper dessicant bags was experienced if they are not changed regularly.

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- (c) Recommendation: That a standardized dessicant package of more durable material be used. Perhaps a ventilated plastic case for the present bag would do. Also a standardized location within the telephone and a recommended time period for changing the dessicant should be determined under controlled conditions.
 - h. Material: None
 - i. Other: None

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1- Organisation

2. Ammunition Expenditures

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- DA, Headquarters, 52nd Artillery Group, APO 96318 9 November 1970
- TO: Commanding General, IFFORCEV Artillery APO 96350
- 1. (U) Concur in contents of basic report and recommendations.
- 2. (U) This indorsement is regraded unclassified when separated from basic correspondence.

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AVFA-AT-D (31 Oct 70) 2nd Ind

SUBJECT: Operational Report - Lessons Learned, 1st Battalion, 92nd Artillery, Period Ending 31 October 1970, RCS CSFOR-65 (R2) (U)

DA, Headquarters, I Field Force Vietnam Artillery, APO 96350

TO: Commanding General, I Field Force Vietnam, APO 96350

Concur with basic letter and recommendations.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

MONTGOMERY T. SPETR

Lieutenant Colonel, ADA

Adjutant

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DA, Headquarters, I Field Force Vietnam, APO S.F. 96350

TO: Commanding General, United States Army Vietnam, ATTN: AVHGC-DST, APO 96375

- 1. This headquarters has reviewed and evaluat d subject Operational Report-Lessons Learned and concurs except as noted below.
- 2. Reference paragraph 2 (C) (f). The commanders comment concerning installed ing deadmen appears to be a good recommendation. This headquarters has stressed the importance of turning in of amountation components to include cannisters, The cannisters utilized in this situation must be recovered and turned in as required by instructions from this headquarters.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

ILT, AGC Asst AG

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AVHDO-DO (5 Nov 70) 4th Ind

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Headquarters, United States Army Vietnam, APO San Francisco 96375 1 6 MAR 1971

TO: Commander in Chief, United States Army Pacific, ATTN: GPOP-DT, APO 96558

- 1. This Headquarters has reviewed the Operational Report-Lessons Learned for the quarterly period ending 31 October 1970 from Headquarters, 1st Battalion, 92d Artillery and comments of indorsing headquarters.
- 2. Reference item concerning "Internal Corrosion Prevention on Telephone, TA 312/PT," page 12, paragraph 2g(1). Although the idea of placing dessicant in the TA 312/PT appears to have some merit, there still remains the possibility of the dessicant bag becoming lodged beneath the contacts of the hook switch or otherwise creating an interference with mechanical devices inside the case. This problem with the TA 312/PT, apparently, has never been addressed before, therefore, it has been referred to the United States Army Electronic Command (ECOM) Area Office for further investigation and evaluation.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

Clark W. Stevens Jr. Captain AGC

Assistant Adjutant General

Cy furn: I FFORCEV 1st Bn, 92d Arty GPOP-DT (5 Nov 70) 5th Ind (U)
SUBJECT: Operational Report of HQ, 1st Battalion, 92d Artillery for
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AMMUNITION EXPENDITURES

1. Total Ammuntion Expended by Type:

a.	High Explosive	Btry A 3526	Btry B 826	Btry C 5554	797AL 9906
b.	Illumination	476	55 ·	328	859
c.	White Phosphorous	62	25	186	273
d.	Smoke	117	14	50	181
c.	ICM (Firecraker)	18	4	47	69
	TOTAL	4199	924	6165	11280

2. Ammunition Expended by Mission Type:

MISSI	<u>ON</u>	Btry A	Btry B	Btry C	TOTAL
a. 0	onfirmed	933	113	200	1246
b. A	cquired	2388	494	5525	3407
c. C	ounter Battery	46	0	88	134
d. P	reparation	253	O	55	308
e. 5	pecial Purpose	579	317	297	1193
f. O	ther	_ 0	0	0	0
	TOTAL	4199	924	6165	11288

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